

## Eco-Friendly Lunches

If you are interested in finding out more about waste-free-lunches, you have come to the right place. Each day at lunch, we use Styrofoam, plastic napkins, and too much garbage. It's really hurting our environment because we're polluting the air, and it just keeps getting worse because animals keep on dying because of it. Most trash we make comes from food we buy and lunch foods are no exception. How can you help? Don't use the cafeteria trays, bring your own food from home, and don't use Styrofoam, plastic, or napkins. All of those are bad for the environment. To save money, recycle napkins, paper, glass, and cans. Use corn cutlery (knives and forks). When someone throws corn cutlery on the ground, it'll turn into dirt. You could put your food in a Wrap-N-Mat and you are ready to go. And use a Klean Kanteen because you could take it anywhere and it's reusable. And use your own lunch pail so you don't waste money and use little containers too.

*By Monce and Harish*

## GO Green, Recycle!

Did you know that recycling is good for the environment and helps our economy grow? What is recycling? Recycling is recovering and remaking materials for human use. Why should you recycle? If you don't recycle resources (paper, plastic, aluminum, cardboard, and much more), they go under parks, sports fields, and many other places! It also goes under landfills. In landfills, there is 50% paper, 10% plastic, 6% metal, 1% glass, 13% food and yard waste, and 20% of other materials! That's silly since all of those things can be recycled. This is how you can recycle. You can get old boxes and put signs on them that say Glass, Paper, Plastic, and Cardboard. When you put them in recycling, glass bottles are crushed and melted, plastic gets chopped into bits and gets washed, dried, and paper gets shredded into pulp (any soft, wet mass of material) and then washed and bleached. These are the four main things that you can recycle; paper, plastic, glass, and cardboard. In conclusion, recycling will make our world healthier.

*By Bailey and Josely*



## A Floating Junkyard

What is The Great Pacific Garbage Patch? A huge, floating pile of garbage from people who don't care about our world! This big clump of garbage in the Pacific Ocean is there because people throw garbage in the ocean every day and because the wind and ocean currents carry it to one place. It is two times bigger than Texas. Why is it bad? Why care? It is killing animals every day and it is polluting the water so we can't have fresh water. What are we going to do about it? We can clean it up so we can have fresh water. We need to prevent it from happening again. Another patch is already starting in the Atlantic Ocean! So don't throw trash in the water, pick up garbage on the beaches, and bring a bag from home or a Chico Bag so you can pick up trash and then recycle it. All in all, that's what happening in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch!

*By Brandon and Levi*



*A note from Ms. York:*

Thank you all so much for your hard work! You've done an amazing job and learned so much! Always remember to look to the future by understanding the past and being aware of the present!